

SPORTS

BASEBALL

Hermie Gilbert will play second base for Fresno in the future.

McKenzie will be missing from Fresno's center-field for a few games and Chance will play his position.

"Habe" Monroe is away on a vacation and Tommy White will play left field during his absence.

The game scheduled for Fresno next Sunday between Hanford and Fresno has been transferred to Hanford at the request of the Hanford management.

The Raisin City band has issued a challenge to the Forster's Masqued band to play at 8 o'clock on Saturday at Athletic park next Sunday.

Ed. Hennessey, who recently pitched winning ball for the Terminal City Wheelers club, has been signed by Hanford and will be in the box against Fresno next Sunday.

The proposed excursion from Merced to Fresno on the 30th inst. has fallen through as the Merced boys consider the money asked by the railroad company too high.

The Vinnia club has been presented with a letter from the Fresno club, naturally causing a wonder whether or not the Fresno were effected with "cold feet" last Sunday.

The Vinnia band boys defeated the Hanford musicians last Sunday at Hanford, by a score of 24 to 18. The Raisin City band will challenge the winners for a game to take place in the near future.

Garibaldi, of Merced, is one of the fastest batters in the league, and has been developing into one of the heaviest hitters of his team. Since he began batting left-handed he has averaged two hits per game.

When the Hanford team went to Bakersfield they were met at the depot by the ball team, the band and a large crowd of citizens who were informed and they marched to the hotel where "buses" were waiting to take the players to the ball grounds.

"Steady" Jim Grubb was clean off last Sunday in the game against Selma. He gave six bases on balls and passed up one to the field for being hit by pitched balls. This would have lost the game for Merced had the Selma team put up even a fair game.

Dave Dowd pitched a good game for Hanford last Sunday, but received miserable support. Tedding and Sealing were the only ones of the Hanford team who played to the satisfaction of the spectators. Large work of practice, taken frequently, would do much to pull the team out of the hole into which it has fallen, but without this the club cannot hope to be in the race.

The Fresno team will be fitted out with new suits for the game with Merced, which takes place on the 30th. The new uniforms will be patterned after those worn by the "Fresno Grizzlies" to which they are similar. They will consist of red shirt, black pants, cap and stockings, and the word "Fresno" will ornament the shirt front. The club will have the newest suits in the league.

The Merced club has a bad habit of "hitting the lead" and then later this will lead to defeat, and then there will be a row from the Merced cranks who are trying to make a decision on the national game as it should be played. The wheat growers should play ball for all there is in it, during the game, after that, there is no game, and then there is that which good fellows they are, and in that line they have a "percentage" close to 100.

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The baseball reporter of the Bakersfield Echo is guilty of the following: Hanford has played in some hard hit game, but the game was not snowed under. Each player will wear the left hand foot of a graveyard rabbit killed by a red-headed negro on the first day of the month at the stroke of midnight; each foot will be mounted on a lucky penny and suspended by a horse hair chain, and a black cat will hang as mascot. Both the exhibition should prove sufficient to placate averse fate and return Hanford a winner. Anyway they will have a run for their money.

This is wisdom indeed: In the way of a suggestion it might be apropos to criticize some of the language they resorted to in what they deemed encouragement to the home team. There is nothing more stimulating to a team than to hear a coach say plenty of noise from the bleachers at the same time if a few of the young men will be more select in their manner of expression. Many who appreciate baseball—Vinnia Delta.

The present standing of the club in the California State League presents a striking illustration of the superiority of a team of heavy hitters over a nine of better fielders with smaller batting averages. The Santa Cruz organization leads the league in the batting, while in fielding they occupy the last place. The Watsonville team ranks second in fielding, last in batting and last in the race for the pennant.

Under the heading "A Baseball Sennet" the Bakersfield Echo prints an article charging Fletcher Hall with accepting a bribe to lose a game for his team and stating that he was dismissed from the club on that account. The article was reprinted without comment by the Hanford Sentinel and is now going the rounds of the Valley press.

The article is calculated to harm Hall in all league towns and will do so unless speedily contradicted. Charley Button of the Vinnia club was in Fresno yesterday and he says that there is not a particle of truth in the whole article. He states that Hall was "released" and that Manager Rouse not "dismissed" and the reason for the release was the pitcher's refusal to play in the field when ordered to.

Manager Ward when speaking to Rouse last Sunday at Hanford was not informed of anything concerning the pitcher's actions. He said that the Bakersfield paper is basing maligning the Vinnia Hall has been transferred to the Selma club by Manager Ward and will probably play with that organization next Sunday.

The article of the Bakersfield Echo is as follows: The Selma Valley League has a scandal. They also have a quick and satisfactory manner of handling it. Our informant tells us that the graceful and lathy Mr. Hall, who has excited the admiration of the grand stand here by his catlike motions and great speed of wings while in the box for a while, has fallen. Fallen he is, a blow of brick, and the thud of the blow is

THE RING

Merced from Merced to Bakersfield. Mr. Hall was approached by four fellows on the eve of the Selma game last week and the peace was made with him. Result: Selma 10, Vinnia 6, Hall smugly bounced from the Vinnia team and Cecil, the south paw, installed in his place.

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The Olympic Club is to give a boxing night on Aug. 4. F. Ast, who knocked out Heilmann of Sacramento not long ago, has been matched with R. A. Woods, to fight ten rounds. Woods is a pupil of Walter Watson.

Jack Ryan and Peter Jackson will fight twenty rounds before the Bakersfield Athletic club on the 28th. Ryan is matched to fight Rube Turner, the Stockton negro, on August 1th.

Frank Erbe, who won the lightweight championship title from "Kid" Lavigne, has been challenged by Tim Kearns of Boston to fight for the title. Kearns has never lost a decision, and his last twelve fights have resulted in knockouts.

Now that Jim Jeffries is on his way to Europe, Tom Sharkey is letting off steam in large quantities. Among other things he recently stated that Jeffries was a "champion" and that he would run away from him (Sharkey) when they meet next October.

Best thing for Sharkey to do seems to be to cover the money deposited by Jeffries to him the match and say nothing more about the man who licked him once and his fair to do so again.

International championship boxing contests between United American and English pugilists will be held during the fall and winter months. Billy Brady, who is now in England, has signed contracts with the leading pugilists in Great Britain for contests in this country. Among the men signed are Ben Jordan, featherweight champion of England; Owen Scosney, light-welter champion of Ireland; Dick Burge, welter-weight champion of England; and Bobby Doda, a colored American light-weight, who has been beating the best men in his class in Great Britain.

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"Sir Wilfrid has neglected to mention the first and most important of these methods."

It is recognized by the administration that the boundary question is a difficult one and is one of the questions pending between Canada and the United States, but it is not regarded as impossible of adjustment in some way satisfactory to the American miners and the Canadian government. Some of the questions at issue are more or less independent and it was intimated that there was reason to hope a final settlement of the boundary controversy might grow out of this relation between the pending questions.

The official who made the suggestion that neither war nor arbitration would make concessions on the boundary question or what concessions on some other point the other side would make in return. It is felt by officials of the administration generally that there is considerable patience to work out a final solution of all the pending questions which a solution will ultimately be reached in a friendly spirit and without any clash or serious strain of relations between the two nations. Senator Fairbank, whose speech on the Alaskan boundary controversy, as the result of his personal observations, has had great influence in determining the policy of the administration, would not discuss Sir Wilfrid Laurier's speech, nor would he make any concession on the present situation.

It can be said, however, that Senator Fairbank is firmly of the opinion that the boundary question can be settled by amicable agreement if both sides will exercise patience.

NEW YORK, July 21.—A special to the Herald from Ottawa says: Sir Wilfrid Laurier's speech in the house of commons relative to the Alaskan boundary dispute with the United States has attracted great interest all over the Dominion, and it is everywhere regarded as of high significance and importance.

"My position in regard to this matter of the Alaskan dispute," said Sir Wilfrid last night, "has not altered since I stated it on May 30th. We are willing to refer the question to any commission of arbitration that would be acceptable to any civilized nation or set of honorable men."

"As to the precedent set by the United States is one to which they should not in fairness object in this dispute, and that is the reference in the Venezuelan boundary dispute."

"My views upon the present boundary question are of no importance. I am looking toward settlement of the question of arbitration was fully set forth in the remarks I made in the house of commons yesterday. I cannot add anything to them, nor do I wish to retract or qualify one word which I uttered upon that occasion."

NEW YORK, July 21.—A special to the Herald from Toronto says: Professor Goldwin Smith, after reading Premier Laurier's speech upon the Alaskan boundary dispute, said: "I am surprised and sorry Sir Wilfrid Laurier should have ever alluded to the possibility of war over the Alaskan boundary question. It would be a disgrace to statesmanship if it were possible that war should break out between Great Britain and the United States about such a matter."

"The question is not pressing. All that is immediately wanted is some joint arrangement for the preservation of order in the disputed territory. After a little reflection and when everybody has had time to cool, means will be found for a settlement of the question in an amicable way."

"I have thought from the beginning that it would be better if the Alaskan boundary question had been mixed up with other questions, which it had nothing to do. Let the Alaskan boundary question be kept apart and let conference on commercial reciprocity proceed."

"There is a great deal of talk about general elections in Canada being held next fall. It is reported that the Laurier government decided before the Minister of Public Works, Mr. James D. Stewart, and a man named French died of disease. The fate of the fourth member, Mr. Martin, of New York, is unknown."

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TWO FIGHTS.

George Green Wins in the 19th Round.

SAN FRANCISCO, July 20.—In the fight between George Green and Chas. Goff before the National Club tonight, Green knocked Goff out in the 19th round.

Jim Jeffries, the man who claimed that Jim Jeffries could not stop him in five rounds, got the decision over Bob Jones in a 20-round preliminary bout. In the fifth round Jones fell to the floor, stunning himself, and was unable to rise inside of ten seconds.

MARCUS ISLAND.

It is Not Proposed to Dispute Japan's Claim.

NEW YORK, July 21.—A special to the Herald from Washington says: The Americans have known since the late war that Japan is in the possession of Marcus Island. While there is no intention of occupying the island because of the fact that it is nevertheless a fact that cable instructions to the commanding officer of the cutter Nero, which is making the survey for the Pacific cable, contemplated one route in which Marcus Island was to enter as a cable station. These instructions have been modified because of the desire of the President that the cable should touch only American soil. The route which the ship is now surveying contemplates touching the cable between Hawaii, Midway Island and Guam. Marcus Island, before its occupation by Japan, was considered an American citizen. It is a rocky, precipitous piece of land, of little value, without a good harbor and it is not a very important island. According to the official with whom I talked tonight, it is not proposed to dispute Japan's claims to its possession.

BISHOP WARREN

Returns From an Extended Trip to South America.

He Found the Institutions of His Church in a Flourishing Condition.

NEW YORK, July 20.—After a seven months' tour of inspection along the west coast of South America, Bishop H. W. Warren of Denver returned here today on the steamer *Albatross*. The bishop has been in the Americas looking after the interests of the Methodist church in that part of the world.

One who had visited those countries years ago, he said, "would be surprised at the change. The churches are doing well, although there is still a mixing up of church and state, a more liberal attitude toward religion is being developed in that section both in religion and commerce."

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the horses at once on army transports, in the same conditions as fornicators, that they begin work immediately for any sick soldiers on the transports during the voyage.

Miss Dunning was accordingly placed in charge of one party of five and Miss Fraser in charge of the remainder. The instructions to the Major-General Staff in San Francisco on their arrival next Tuesday morning.

BE READY FOR SERVICE.

The Government Proposes to Arm Four Yachts.

NEW YORK, July 21.—A special to the Herald from Washington says: That they may be more effective for the service intended the navy department proposes to arm the four yachts which are to be stationed in Central America and the Caribbean Sea.

The Hawk will receive two 6-pounders and two Colts and the Viking will probably have the same battery. It is proposed to keep these ships in such a state of readiness that they can be placed in commission within 48 hours and start for any point on the Central American coast where a man-of-war may be needed. The Vixen is now at Bluefields, pending the settlement of the dispute between the United States and Nicaragua regarding the payment by American merchants of double duties on imported goods.

All of the vessels are of light draught, ranging from 85 to 12 feet, and they are consequently able to get closer to shore than a regular man-of-war.

YUKON COUNTRY.

Many Thousands Returning Home.

Vessels Well Fitted Out Being Sold for Small Sums—Supplies Sold in Job Lots.

SEATTLE, July 20.—The following notices concerning the exodus of miners down the Yukon river were brought here today by Jack Carr, of this city. Carr brings information from the Tanana, Koyukuk and Kuskokwim.

At Tanana, Carr observed from 100 to 150 men going down the river in small boats. They were coming from Dawson and other points. The transportation companies are selling their boats to 200 men going down the river.

There were estimated to be 1500 men up the Koyukuk, 1250 of whom would go down the river to Cape Nome and St. Michaels.

In the vicinity of Tanana and on the Koyukuk, men were scattering to get away. Five steamers were in the Tanana last night.

This spring vessels sold as low as \$100 each about the Tanana and Koyukuk rivers. Carr reports one outfit that sold \$18,000 selling as low as \$1800 at Rampart City. This was the steamer *Santa Rita*.

At Rampart City, Carr saw a sawmill and a complete electric light plant. Carr reports a sale of Napha launch that cost \$2800 in New York for \$350.

With this launch went one year's provisions for seven men. Provisions on the Koyukuk and Rampart in job lots for a song.

THE REGIMENTS.

Not Filling Up as Fast as at First.

The New Recruits Will See Service in the Philippines Even if the War Ends Soon.

NEW YORK, July 21.—A special to the Herald from Washington says: Reports received by Adjutant General Corbin from the Philippines are not so cheering as they were at first. The new volunteer regiments show that about one-third of the provisional troops have been enlisted. There was a slight falling off in recruiting on Friday, but the returns for yesterday showed an increase, bringing the total up to 10,000 men.

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STREET-CAR STRIKE GROWING

The Police Use Clubs Freely.

Grand Master Workman Parsons Taking a Hand.

Brooklyn Street Railway Strike Bids Fair to Spread All Over Greater New York.

NEW YORK, July 20.—The extension of the street car men's strike from Brooklyn to Manhattan Island was due chiefly to sympathy for the striking employees of the Brooklyn Rapid Transit company. It was opposed by General Master Workman Parsons, the head of the Knights of Labor in the United States, who is engaged in organizing the men and is biding all his energies towards redressing their grievances. Mr. Parsons declared a strike at this time to be premature. It was literally forced by the appeal made to the motormen by Master Workman Parsons and the committee of Brooklyn strikers.

Being refused permission by the executive board to proclaim a strike, the motormen whose sympathies had been aroused defied Mr. Parsons and made a tour of the car stables at four o'clock yesterday morning, appealing to the men to quit work. Some of them did so, others refused. The result was that the strike was proclaimed and the fact that many employees were not willing to make sacrifices for the ten hour law or for their Brooklyn brethren. It was not until about midnight that the strike was proclaimed. Parsons found himself dragged along with the procession and declared that the strike was in progress. At midnight, last night, when the strike was proclaimed, it appeared to be the maddest and most ill-considered battle with enormous capital labor ever entered on. Except on the Brooklyn Rapid Transit, the cars were only interfered with to a slight degree and unless the strikers induce from 100 to 1500 men to join them, the strike will be an absolute failure.

This Mr. Parsons declared that he will do. None of the men, he said, would be allowed to leave the city and promises to tie up the Manhattan lines today.

There are about 3200 men employed on the platforms of the cars of the lines against which the fight is to be directed. These constitute, barring Broadway, the most valuable portion of the city's business. The strike would mean a complete stoppage of the city's business.

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the motormen and conductor and several arrests were made by the police. Whatever may be the outcome of the strike, it is certain that the city will get itself into trouble in several ways. The labor organizations have decided to prosecute the Brooklyn Rapid Transit company for violation of the law of the state. If the men are to be believed the company has been guilty in many hundreds of instances, Mr. Rosner was also the director of the Brooklyn Rapid Transit company, former head of the A. L. Johnson road.

Mr. Rosner yesterday was quoted as saying that the strike was concerned in the attempt to blow up the Brooklyn "L." Mr. Johnson declared that if Mr. Rosner made the direct charge he would put him in jail. Mr. Rosner afterward qualified his statement. There was talk last night of ordering out the National Guard to keep order in the city. The police force has been utterly inadequate to cope with the strikers on the Brooklyn "L."

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